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Entwistle enjoys 75th birthday celebration

For past and present residents of Entwistle, the weekend's homecoming celebration was more than a gathering of old friends — it was a massive birthday party enjoyed by some 1,200 people.

"It's been one great, big, beautiful birthday party," said an enthusiastic Mayor Mervyn Entwistle.

"I guess they just had a lot more enthusiasm for a homecoming than the community anticipated. We had people here from Portland, Oregon that hadn't been back in 50 years. Some people left here when they were 11 or 12 years-old and they came back."

"The spirit of the people is beyond words," she said.

The homecoming was a four-day event celebrating the village's 75th anniversary and along with a rodeo and arm-wrestling championships, organizers put on dances, parade breakfasts, rides and games, contests and fireworks by the local fire department to mark the occasion.

During the official ceremonies Sunday night a passed community hall heard from Yellowhead MP Joe Clark who congratulated the community on its efforts and from local M.L.A. Peter Trynicky who presented some special birthday gifts.

Along with plaques and certificates, the minister of parks and recreation awarded Mayor Entwistle with a \$12,000 grant for expansion of the community hall, \$1,000 from the Department of Municipal Affairs and a cheque for \$4,000 from the Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation.

And what a birthday party without a cake! Capping the ceremonies was a huge, multi-flavored cake baked and decorated by Gail Riepple as a special project for the homecoming.

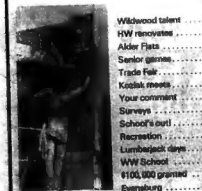


A huge birthday cake commemorating Entwistle's 75th Anniversary and homecoming celebration ended Sunday's ceremonies. More than 1,200 people attended the event.

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Sewage problem on way out

By Frankie Theriault

The declaration of Poplar Ridge as a hamlet is the first step towards solving sewage problems suffered for over 30 years by the small community.

Minister of Municipal Affairs J. Allan Kentik aligned the official order at the June 28 town council meeting to the surprise of everyone present. Although his community's revised status had been in the works since May 4 this year the declaration wasn't expected to coincide with Kentik's informal visit with councillors.

The hamlet status is the minimum required before funding may be obtained from the provincial government to re-align the sewage system. With a population of about 700, which includes two trailer courts, the community directly west of Drayton Valley doesn't have its own elected representatives but is under the jurisdiction of Parkland County.

There is no community water system in Poplar Ridge — each resident has a septic tank and a water well. The trailer courts use evaporation lagoons, and because of the ground's low saturation point the lagoons sometimes overflow as they did last winter, explained Howard Olson, chairman of the Drayton Valley Transportation Committee.

"The sewage can't seep through the clay" quickly enough, he said.

Although the area is outside the town's jurisdiction, town council is involved because when the lagoons overflow the waste material runs into the creek flowing through West Valley Park.

Surface contamination is a potential problem and there is a concern the community's water wells could become contaminated — hence the involvement of the Edmonton Health Unit and Alberta Environment.

"It's an ongoing problem which is getting worse," Olson said.

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Board unhappy with user fees

By Phil Coatsville
While Drayton Valley town council may be satisfied with the course of its new school user fees, the Parkland County school board isn't so happy.

At its monthly meeting June 26 the board began a motion objecting to the fees and directing its administration to seek modification to the town.

In session, the motion says the board's position does not coincide with council's instituting fees for use of school facilities and requests a meeting of the joint use committee to discuss the matter.

According to local trustee and board Vice chairman Vi Helm, the board "briefly" discussed the situation but agreed user fees for county schools should be discouraged.

Helm stressed the motion was "very preliminary" and the board was not "telling the town to do anything."

She also indicated the board was surprised the fees were not brought to the joint use committee before being passed.

Although some confusion exists over the status of the committee its past role has been to oversee the mutual sharing of school and town facilities.

Town council approved a recreation board fee schedule two weeks ago charging groups using school facilities outside school hours. The schedule goes into effect Sept. 1.

Against school superintendent Mary Thadok agreed the board was neither pressuring nor looking for a confrontation with the town.

"The intent of the motion is to sit down and discuss the fees," he said in a telephone interview Friday.

"It is not to say the town by-passed a committee but to sit down and discuss the town's intention and come up with some sound solution."

The school board still has to pass the motion but it has instructed administrators to convey the board's concerns to the town, he added.

Drayton Council has also expressed interest in meeting with the school officials, but for different reasons.

Following a recreation board motion three weeks ago council has indicated its desire to resolve the joint use agreement with the county and possibly lower weekend janitorial costs.

Currently, it costs the town \$17 an hour on the weekend and after 9 p.m. on weekdays for janitors at the Rec Plex.

Swept away

Drayton Valley was rocked by a ferocious hail and wind storm Friday afternoon. Trees were uprooted, windows smashed and children coming

home from school were pelted with the driving hail. The power was out across town for varying lengths of time after a line went down.

Chamber seeks council's support

Two representatives from the Drayton Valley and District Chamber of Commerce approached town council Thursday with several requests regarding the trade fair scheduled Sept. 7, 8 and 9.

"We would really like to have the moral support of council," said trade fair committee chairman Mary Prentice. "As it is the first one we hope to make it a rousing success."

He said he would like to see the town itself rent a booth.

As the curling rink has been booked along with the Centennial Civic Arena, the chamber would also like to have a portion of 55 Street closed between the two facilities.

"We're quite confident we'll need the extra space," provided by the curling rink, Prentice explained. He said Fire Chief Sheldon Funes had approved the closure from a fire safety point of view, and was also helping the committee with a layout plan for booths.

Another of the committee's concerns involved the inadequate electrical capacity of the arena to supply power to exhibitors' booths, Prentice said.

gated council could have the power upgraded as the trade fair would be an annual event, but said the committee was willing to rent generators if necessary.

"We would like council to authorize the use of generators," he said.

"I'm really proud to see you gentlemen have come forward with this," said Mayor Bob Mayhew. "It should set Drayton Valley a step ahead of many other communities of equal or larger size."

He added the requests would be studied and decisions made at the July 19 council meeting.

Committee member Alex Blais said he was producing a booklet for participants to advertise in and suggested the town also take out a full page advertisement.

"We're expecting 6,000 to 10,000 people to attend, and 200 exhibitors," he said. Admissions will be held down to \$1 with no charge to senior citizens.

Prentice said the fair would bring credibility to the chamber. "The failures of previous chambers here have caused a credibility gap," he added.

Minister, councillors exchange compliments

Good will reigned as Drayton Valley town councillors exchanged compliments with Julian Konik, Alberta minister of municipal affairs at the June 28 council meeting.

The minister was invited to Thursday's meeting "not to lay a whole bunch of problems on you," said Mayor Bob Mayhew, but "because we're a proud community and we just wanted to visit with you and invite you for lunch."

Konik was accompanied by his executive assistant John Stumlas, Deputy Minister Archie Grover and Jack Fleming, director of municipal services branch. Local MLA Shirley Gripps was also present.

Konik read a portion of a flattering government report on the town's affairs dated April 30 which praised the "high standards" maintained by Drayton Valley's administrative and legislative bodies and their "high degree of fiscal responsibility."

He pointed out the town's financial standing had improved substantially in the last few years and added, "your ratepayers should be very pleased."

Mayor Bob Mayhew asked Konik if his department would consider forming a central data processing service to make information available between towns to aid in problem solving.

"These guidelines are important to have as a way to offset some towns' financial problems," he said.

"We're in the developmental mode," Fleming said, explaining the department had been collecting such data for five years but budget and other problems had hindered the project's completion.

"The objectives of the department are to do what you're asking for," he added.

He couldn't give a date the information would be available, but said, "We're ready to move into the output stage."

He also said such a system would enable the government to "take a hard look at where its money was going."

Howard Olson brought up a concern dealt with frequently at council meetings - that of conflict of interest. In a small town councillors often have business connections with matters up for a vote and must declare conflict of interest and abstain, sometimes to the point where the quorum of four cannot be met.

Design next step

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The first step towards solving the problem is for the county to have a sewage disposal system designed for the community. Now that hamlet status has been achieved, "The next big move is to get the people on stream we need - I would like to see it start this fall," McCollough said.

"There are a lot of bridges to be crossed," he added, saying Alberta Environment may have its budget set for the year and be unable to help the county fund the project.

Olson said when it was completed the new Poplar Ridge water treatment system would probably be connected to Drayton Valley's. "That would be the cheapest way for them to do it."

As Drayton Valley's sewer lines run around the town's perimeter, it would simply be a matter of extending it a few hundred metres to Poplar Ridge. The town would have to bear some of the cost, but it would extend to 16 & 17 Trunking and Transalva Utility just west of Highway 22.

Olson said that cost would likely be recuperated through fees charged to the county.

"We appreciate the difficulties councillors have," Grover said.

An act dealing with the problem was passed a year ago after several years of debate in the legislature, he said, but added, "It's not a dead issue - but it has to be done very, very carefully, as small amendments rather than a complete overhaul may make matters worse."



Minister of Municipal Affairs Julian Konik signs the order proclaiming Poplar Ridge a hamlet.

for the use of Drayton Valley's system. "It's long overdue to correct the problem," he said.

Opinions

Lougheed speaks of de Rappard's innocence

It must be nice to have someone as powerful as the premier of the province profess your innocence prior to your trial date.

George de Rappard can at least take consolation in the fact that the highest elected official in the province thinks he's innocent.



Recent of any irregularities connected with the Dial Mortgage.

If de Rappard is innocent of the charges then it appears that the premier feels there is little need for an investigation into the matter.

What is being suggested is that legal matters can be safely left up to politicians — that is, when Peter Lougheed feels moved to go on record to support one of his aides.

For someone as seasoned in politics as Premier Lougheed the gaff he made in commenting on the Dial Mortgage case is virtually inexcusable.

He has knowingly circumvented the judicial system and taken it upon himself and his office, one which he was elected to, to influence the fate of someone he is closely associated with.

Our attorney general, Neil Crawford, had to approve the charges and this places the two politicians on opposite sides of the fence.

We can presume that Crawford wouldn't have allowed the charges to be laid if he didn't think they would have a reasonable chance of succeeding; after all, who wants to authorize the investigation of one of our top civil servants?

At best Lougheed has placed the attorney general in an awkward position.

Imagine what former Crown prosecutor John Faulkner feels like: "He was fired in January for confirming that de Rappard was under investigation."

He didn't comment on the affair, he simply confirmed that it was taking place. It cost him his job.

Now, the premier has involved himself with the same investigation, but he's offering his personal judgment prior to the hearing of the case.

At the moment de Rappard is innocent under our laws. The premier should have left it that way.

No school means driver caution needed

School's out and so are the children. Drayton Valley has a considerable amount of traffic during the summer and drivers should be on the lookout for youngsters during business hours, especially around the parks and playgrounds. I saw a pre-schooler a couple of weeks ago extend his arm before crossing the street. Not all of them are as careful and a group of young bicycle riders can easily get carried away with whatever destination they have and forget about traffic. Hopefully parents will give their children reminders about bicycle safety, but in the

Editor's Notes

and it's the driver's responsibility for driving with due care and attention.

I picked up a cold over the weekend and while I was in the city I stopped at West Edmonton Mall for vitamins.

Maybe it was the cold that made me grumpy (although Edmonton Oilers fans

say that I'm always that way), but the damn place is like a zoo. I couldn't wait to get my business done and get out, and the ugly part was I kept getting turned around and getting lost.

The only consolation was I don't have to work there. When I dumped my little pile of vitamins and cough remedies on the counter I attempted a feeble joke with, "Guess what, I have a cold."

The salesclerk laughed and I kidded back that she shouldn't laugh about someone having a cold. Her answer was that she hadn't laughed all day. "Nuff said."

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University student to conduct town survey

What type of economic development could take place in Drayton Valley? What improvements could be made to the current infrastructure?

To find the answers to these and other questions, the town has hired a university student to conduct extensive surveys among local businesses, industries and households.

Education major and Drayton Valley native Maureen Kendrick has two months to prepare and conduct the surveys and analyze data. She began June 21 by compiling a comprehensive local business directory to be available through the town, and from it will choose 50 business and industrial representatives for the survey.

The result will be a general plan for the town to follow to aid in economic growth and tourist attraction, and to get people working together to improve the town.

"I'm going to keep the surveys as short and simple as possible so they'll be easier to analyze," Kendrick said, explaining she studied sociology in first year university which would aid in her work.

"I'll try to make it as interesting as possible — to the point and basic," which should encourage people to fill it out. Most of the questions will require yes or no answers.

She has yet to decide whether the household survey will be conducted over the telephone or through door to door solicitation. "I may pay the Roy Bonta a fee for each completed survey."

The survey method of developing a general plan for Drayton Valley's future development is a new one — the previous plan, formulated before the recession, was overly optimistic and was written without input from citizens or businesses.

Before hitting the streets with finalized surveys, Kendrick plans to test a few questions first. She'll be trying to find out whether people have faith in economic recovery in Drayton Valley, and if not, what they think could be done.

She'll want to know what businesses think the town could do to assist them and will ask for a



Maureen Kendrick conducts surveys for the town.

report card on the town's performance in such areas as police and fire protection, taxes and zoning bylaws.

The household survey will determine where people shop and why, what improvements could be made to the downtown area, and how parking, restaurants and banking facilities are rated.

"I'll ask some newcomers to towns what their first impressions are," she said.

She'll also determine whether people think the town's scene is covered adequately.

In the short time since she started she's not only completed the 50-entry business directory, but has also been to Onaway to study surveys there. "It's difficult to design a survey suited to everyone," she said.

This week she'll travel to Edson to meet someone who designs surveys full-time for the provincial government and hopes to start questioning Drayton Valley residents and businesspeople early next week.

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Elementary II student Dwayne Barth closes his Grade 6 math book for the last time.



H.V. Pickup teacher Kelly Bralichbach takes a moment.

Photos and story by Carol Dietrich

School's out once again

Well, school's out for the summer once again. Both students and teachers can look forward to two months free of lesson planning, homework and exams.

The last few weeks have been hectic for everyone in the schools. There were tests to study for, final assignments to mark, forms to fill out and year-end cleaning.

The end of the school year means different things to different people. To some it simply means a two-month holiday, to others it's the end of 12 years of learning and a time to ponder and plan for the future.

June 29 was the last day of school for most students in Drayton Valley. The day when, for better or worse, report cards and grades were handed out.

It was also one last chance to say good-bye to teachers and friends who won't be seen until September or longer.



Sister Katherine MacDonald marks some test papers at St. Anthony's.



Pam Pankiewicz concentrates for a Math 30 exam at Frank Maddock.



Visiting children get on the school bus for the last time this year.

Recreation

Local student advances to rodeo finals

For the past four years, Carle Lemke has worked and competed on the the-Alberta High School Rodeo circuit. Now for the first time, the local 17-year-old has earned a trip to the high school championships in Rapid City, South Dakota.

Perhaps the largest rodeo in the world, the event attracts more than 1,200 competitors from 50 states and two provinces and is the pinnacle for high school riders.

Lemke, a Frank Maddock High School student who completed Grade 12 in January, qualified in the Alberta Finals two weeks ago and will

compete in the break-away roping and goat tying events at Rapid City July 23 to 26.

"I'm glad I got to go finally," a shy and nervous Lemke said, adding this is the last year she can enter at the high school level.

Although she hopes to do well at the finals, she has no illusions about the level of competition. "It's going to be hard; the competition is really tough."

"I'll go do whatever I can do, but mostly just have fun. If I do well I'll be happy. If I don't it won't bother me."

If she's improved anywhere in the last four years of riding, she says it's her confidence.

Before in the break-away," I'd just worry about watching the rail, now it's more like how fast I can do it and not worry about doing it."

Next year, Lemke hopes to attend college in the United States, primarily for the college rodeo.

The main reason I want to go to college in the States is because they have good college rodeo. They have college rodeos here, but they have more there.

Lemke rides twice a week and practices roping daily with hay bails at her family's home north of Drayton Valley.

Homecoming sees successful firsts

The Entwistle Homecoming was a weekend of firsts for the village, which hosted the first National Lethbridge Armwrestling Championships and the first Entwistle Light Horse and Rodeo Association rodeo.

Organizers for both competitions were pleased with the level of competition and the level of fan support. Both the rodeo and the armwrestling are hoped to become annual events.



Violent Grove Cowboy Everett Ness prepares for his ride in Sunday's rodeo finals.



Todd Overacker strains to a second place finish in the nine and 10 year old boys armwrestling.

National Lethbridge Championships	185 lb. Randle Chittick Wildwood	200 lb. and over Ian Leslie Prince George, B.C.	Sylvia Messerschmidt Mayerthorpe
135 lb. Jim Christianson Barrhead	160 lb. David Mathews Prince George, B.C.	150 lb. Frank Schira Shell Lake, Sask.	Women's Open Janice Anderson Edmonton
Allen Palschack Wetaskiwin	150 lb. Terry Wilson Drayton Valley	50 lb. Ken Crockett-Entwistle	Dee McMillan Mayerthorpe
50 lb. Chris Christianson Barrhead	200 lb. Tony Singer Sherwood Park	Women's Lethbridge 135 lb. Renier	Women's Lethbridge Harvey King Cochrane
		150 lb. Brenda Vergitte Wildwood	Bill Saxe Wildwood

Ball hockey begins playoffs

Men's recreational ball hockey began its first round of playoffs June 5 and judging from the final standings, the league championship is up for grabs. Despite the "anyone-can-win" format, the playoff race is between the league's top four teams who finished within four points of each other after 20 games.

In first place since the league's beginning, team Red continued their dominance through the end of regular season finishing with a 14-3 record and 29 points, just two points and one win ahead of second-place Grey.

Inconsistent in the early season, third-place Blue staged an important winning streak late in the season before losing their final game to Grey. Blue finished with a 13-7 record and 26 points.

Black finished in fourth spot with an 11-6-3 record and 25 points while White finished in fifth with seven points and Yellow in last with six.

Regardless of league standings, each team has a shot at the championship with the playoff structure. The opening quarter final is a two-game, total-point series with the highest scoring team earning a bye into the final game.

Both the semi-final and the final are one-game, winner take all affairs.

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School band entertains Evansburg seniors

By Liz Lantz
727-5272

The Sunbeam Brass Band from Grand Trunk High School entertained the seniors at Sunbeam Lodge June 21. Comments were heard the next day "how much it was to have music like that again." The band consists of Brad Cowie, Mitch Miller, Terry Myrshch and Kelly Conley.

June 19 seniors from Sunbeam Lodge visited with the residents from the Edson Lodge. The Edson group displayed an arts and craft show for the seniors before dinner was served. After dinner, the craft instructor gave the Sunbeam Lodge seniors a chance to make flowers and many more.

The Sunbeam Lodge at Drayton Valley is looking for a volunteer to teach crafts. This would be one

a week from 1 to 3 p.m. Crafts would be hand working, rug doll making, macramé, book rug and crocheting. If you are interested please call 727-3889.

The Evansburg Fox Fox Girls softball team finished the season in first place with an 11 and 1 record in the Evergreen minor ball division.

June 24 the Fox Fox girls challenged their mothers to a game, with the mothers winning. A barbecue in the park followed.

At the barbecue coach Tammy Lantz presented trophies to the most valued player (MVP) and most improved player (MIP). The recipient for MVP was Carol Walker and MIP was Melaine Rancoules. Lantz and the girls expressed

thanks to the mothers who kept score, drove and looked after the uniforms.

The birthday party for June was held at Sunbeam Lodge June 20. Those celebrating were: Wm. Brown, Blanche Turner, Mary Cumming, Mary Kharaschuk and Peter Ryke. An evening of bingo was followed by lunch and a birthday cake.

The building project at the Evansburg United Church is proceeding slowly but satisfactorily.

A retirement party was held recently in honor of Robert Langer. Langer was born, raised and educated at Evansburg. His first job was at the 1st mill in town. In 1909 he went to the Alberta Coal Branch to Slaters and Poole. In the fall of 1940 he went to Hobbs to visit his brother Herb, and got a job with Lakeside Coal, where he became a miner. He met and married Mildred Kirk in 1942 and were blessed with one son Leonard in 1944.

The coal mine at Hobbs burned down in 1944 and forced Langer to seek employment elsewhere. They moved to Merrol and resided there until 1958 when the mines closed down.

Langer's brothers and sisters honored them with a family retirement supper and social evening in May at Heritage House in Evansburg.

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Drayton Valley man fined \$1500

A 60-year-old man from the Drayton Valley area was fined \$1500 by Judge Alex Shumchuk in provincial court Thursday for refusing to provide a sample of his breath.

Edward Frey was charged on March 31, 1984 after being stopped by police.

Constable Bill Watkins told the court that on the night in question he saw the defendant driving a vehicle down 20 Ave. Watkins said the vehicle swerved over the center line twice and when he stopped it and the driver stepped outside, "he showed extreme signs of impairment."

Defense lawyer Peter Watson suggested that Frey's allegedly slurred speech may have been caused by his recent and the fact that he wasn't wearing his seat belt at the time.

Constable Watkins added that the defendant twice refused to give a sample of his breath.

Newton urged Judge Shumchuk to consider a heavy fine instead of a jail term.

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The Western Review, Drayton Valley, Alta., Wednesday, July 4, 1984

Old way of life revived

By Stuart Adams
Most frontier towns with a population of one are declining, but the town of DME is healthy and still growing.

As a matter of fact, Len Mohr is working on the mayor's house and has plans for a church, a bunkhouse and maybe "a bit of a store."

The 60-year-old former building contractor from Spruce Grove has lived on his quarter section along Rose Creek near Alder Flats for the past seven years, but began the "town" three years ago.

"I want to build a town — I just put all my buildings in a row, now people call it a town."

It gives me something to do, otherwise I'd be just sitting around. It's not for the money, that's for sure.

Visitors are welcome, but not encouraged and Mohr occasionally allows family barbecues and small groups to camp on the edge of town and use the "saloon" as a recreation hall. He doesn't charge rental fees or sell anything but the facility is popular. One wall is covered with tools and equipment from another era.

Horse collars, carpentry tools such as a wooden plane, and other items have mostly been contributed because "they think people should see things."

He has bought several buggies and wagons and rebuilt them along with a chuckwagon.

There is help with the work, though. Rod Blades and his family live in a cabin on the property and the neighbors work together.

"It seems everybody who comes down here asks if they can build a cabin on the creek," says Blades, an off-road chemical salesman who has more of an affinity for living a similar life than in the city.

Mohr lives in the sheriff's office next door to the Blade's Cafe which sports the sign from the original cafe run by Rod's mother. "She used to make the famous banana cream pies," says Mohr.

He has no power and uses a coal stove for cooking and heat. There is a contrast from his life in Spruce Grove as a contractor building big homes and even home shelters back in the late '60s and early '80s.

"I wanted to get back to a simple life," he explains.

"You don't know how nice it is for me now."



This is a view of the saloon and the harness shop from the partially built mayor's house.



Mohr at work in the harness shop.

Until the mayor's house is built Mohr lives in the sheriff's office.



Rod Blades (left) and Len Mohr outside the cafe.

This "contraption" takes you across Rose Creek.

Air guitar, folk acts entertain

The Wildwood audience cheered to the pop sounds of one of their favorite entertainers — Michael Jackson belting out Beat It. His famous moon walk topped the act and as a special treat he tossed his sunglasses to the crowd at the end of the number.

Michael Jackson is Wildwood? Well, almost — Beat It was performed by one of two all-girl air guitar bands at the second Wildwood Youth Talent Jambores, with Jodi Malenchuk playing the popular entertainer, Juli Howe on guitar and Amy Chocho on drums.

Five other bands strutted their stuff on stage to the heavy metal sounds of the Scorpions and Quiet Riot.

But the show wasn't limited to air guitar acts — Wildwood bass guitarist Elmer Riehl of the dance band Whiskey Jacks sang and helped organize, and Paul Conway from Edmonton was a big hit with his auto harp and colorful folk stories.

Another Wildwood artist, Diane Jandrich, had no trouble teaching the high notes in Blue Bayou, and also sang two numbers she did at the last Jambores by popular request, What's Gonna Do It in Wildwood and Grandma's Feather Bed.

Although only about 100 people turned out down from 875 at the first Jambores held in early spring, organizer John Powley of Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) wasn't disappointed.

Breton test plots help determine uses for soil

One mile east and 1½ mi. south of the town of Breton, agricultural testing and advancements are being made all the time.

The Breton Plots have been in operation since 1999 and the findings have helped determine better uses for the grey wooded soil areas in this and other provinces.

Fifty to 80 plots fill an area of about eight acres. The plots are owned and operated by the University of Alberta.

Soil conservation, fertilizer placement and crop rotations are some of the programs now underway at the plots.

"Some of the plots have been in operation for years now," Drayton Valley district



Jodi Malenchuk (left) and Juli Howe belt out Beat It.

Photo by Frank Thorsell

"We didn't expect a large turnout because of the time of year," he said, adding there was a school staff party the same night.

Sponsored by FCSS, proceeds from the event will go to Wilderness Experience, an overnight summer camp at Chip Lake.

All the air guitar band players are members of the FCSS program. Youth in Action Powley said the 54 members are divided into two groups, under and over age 15, and meet every Monday night. Besides putting on Jambores, they have a woodworking shop, deerjag program and many other activities.

agriculturalist Doug Walkey said, but he added, some of the testing is short-term as well.

July 6 is Breton Plots Field Day, a chance to go and see the plots for oneself. The day begins with a luncheon at noon. Formal presentations from Alberta Agriculture specialists begin at 1:00 p.m.

Fertilizer placement is this year's theme and topics of discussion will be "Introduction to Fertilizer Placement," "Placement of Nitrogen Fertilizers," "Placement of Phosphorous Fertilizers" and "Mechanisms for Fertilizer Placement." And

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Student has definite interests

Having a Cabbage Patch doll is a necessity for many little girls. Eight-year-old Jodi Harrison is no exception. She has one such doll and says he's very versatile.

"I call him Kelly, but his real name is Leon. When I draw him in a dress, I call him Kelly-girl and when I draw him in pants, I call him Kelly-boy. I say my baby sister's clothes on him, so I call him Kelly-girl most of the time."

Playing with dolls is not the only hobby the Grade 2 St. Anthony student has. "I like to play Atari a lot and I play piano too."

She has two years of experience playing the piano and some of her favorite tunes are "Hallelujah," "Susanne," and "Merrily We Roll Along." And she is also serious about money. If she had a million dollars, "I would save it until I had a billion dollars."

Harrison lives with her family at a ranger station near Lodgepole. "My dad is the boss." Several forestry families live in a kind of private community surrounding the station.

"The mosquitoes love it there because they like the woods."

It's a good thing Harrison likes animals because there are plenty around, both domestic and wild. "There are some deer, bear, and the chip

munks are everywhere. I like all of them except the bear."

One time we saw two doe come through our yard and another time we saw a bear cub."

The family has some pets as well. "We have one cat named Ginger because she is sort of like the better watch." They also have a cocker spaniel named Kismet.

Choosing one career is a problem for Harrison. "I want to be a teacher, writer and business worker. I'd do each thing for a while."

The eight-year-old has definite taste in music as well. Her favorites include Michael Jackson, Olivia Newton-John, the Go-Gos and Bob Seger. Boy George is another matter. "He's funny and crazy. I used to think he was a girl but now I know he's a boy."

The Grade 2 student likes school, but likes her free time too. "I'm looking forward to coming back to school in three years. I'd like more holidays."

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Travelling day camp planned in Funnell

By Dorothy Gervais
S86-2584

Get well wishes are extended to Debbie Chagel who is a patient in the Misericordia Hospital in Edmonton after having the misfortune of slipping her arm.

Nile Ladouceur, wife Rita and two boys from Indonesia visited with friends and relatives for a couple of weeks before leaving for Houston, Texas where Ladouceur will be furthering his education in the oil industry.

Enjoy yourself



The moon is in Virgo and the last day of first quarter. Therefore, it is your last chance this month to buy cheap livestock.

Black up on health food and supplements. Write and mail letters. This is an excellent time to start a new summer job or to begin some new studies. If your eyes are bothering you, have them checked and sleep for new glasses now.

Do vet work. Dock, dehorn, castrate or tattoo animals. Machinery is favoured as buy a new car or have year old one fixed. Drive for farm machinery and appliances.

July 5 finds us in second quarter and the beautiful sign of Libra.

Enjoy yourself - join a new social group or three a party. Experiment with new combinations in makeup and dress.

Do vet work, especially the type that will enhance the looks of the animals, like ear-cropping or clipping and grooming.

If you have money buy a scenic bit of property for speculation.

July 8, 9 will find us still in second quarter but in the auspicious sign of the Scorpion. Does it seem like everyone is panging up on you and trying to cheat you? Relax. It's the sign not the actions that make it seem this way. People are no less honest than before.

However, since all your sensors are alert to fraud, this is a great time to read and sign contracts.

Can fruits and vegetables and stock up with medicines for yourself and your animals. Cut your hair to make it grow faster and begin a diet if you want to gain weight.

Open a savings account. Continue repairing broken machines and appliances.

July 10 will find us in Sagittarius and still increasing. Paint buildings and travel for pleasure. Start new studies. Enjoy yourself and the company of others. Be jovial.

Whose lucky week is it? Places remain our lucky sign with the luckiest birthdays of all falling between February 20 and 28 until the 26th and between February 27 and March 5 the rest of the week.

The lucky number to remember is 4. Four is a good number. Think of the four elements that make up all created matter. They are fire, symbolized by the salamander; water, symbolized by the dolphin; air, symbolized by the eagle; and earth, symbolized by the lion. Four is completion.

Important days of this week - July 8, 1189 a man was born and he was destined to go on to become the minister of finance under Louis XV of France.

At that time having a portrait painted was a long and expensive process so poor folks had their silhouettes outlined instead - a cheap, fast form of "poor people's art."

Because the minister of finance was so stingy, his name was given to this art-form - the silhouette named in honor of Etienne de Silhouette who was not an artist but rather a very responsible minister of finance.

The moral is - A poor finance minister is the equal of a good artist.

Congratulations to Dale Koryak and Audrey Debus who were married in Warburg June 16.

Congratulations to Elaine Dake and Terry Sims who were married recently.

This weekend Breton will be the scene of Luncheon Days June 29, 30 and July 1.

Country singer Gary Buck will be at the Breton Community Centre June 30. Tickets are available at the drapery and Village Variety.

The travelling day camp will be at Funnell July 4 to 6 and the contact person is Lois Dyck at 866-2584. Carwood will be July 8 to 10 with Norma Zeller as contact person at 866-2581. New Moore Hill is also July 4 to 6 with Greta Williams as contact person and her number is 866-2109. Pam Williams will be contact person for Rock Creek and they have their daycamp July 30 to August 3.

Phone 845-4543. Berrymore will be August 20 to 24 with David Martin at 542-5245 as contact person.

Mike Buck, a long time resident of the Breton area passed away in the Humber Hospital June 15 at the age of 88 years. He was born in Poland March 2, 1906.

Funeral services were held June 19 in the Breton Community Centre with Father Stanley Blaszowski officiating.

He is survived by his children: George and Mary Ann Impoy, Jim and Margaret Impoy, Frank and Linda Block, Walter and Irene Block, Edna and Fritz Nasmanga, Betty and Ross Williams, Ann and Al Deacon, Mike and Mary Pearl, Shirley Block, 26 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his wife Elizabeth and daughter May Weber.

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Anderson wins seat

Dale Anderson, 33, is the new town councillor in Breton after the resignation of Councillor Elmer Hemminger announced a by-election July 3.

Anderson received 75 votes in his opponent Tom Wong's 49 when about 80 per cent of eligible voters went in the polls.

"I'm going to give her my best," Anderson said. "I feel I can supply the best of my knowledge to the town."

Although he'll be on holidays for the July 10

council meeting, he'll be ready to begin updating the campaign promises at the July 24 meeting.

One of his major goals is to keep the public informed of the progress in council through newspaper coverage. He would also like to see improved road maintenance in town.

Anderson has lived three years in Breton and is a member of the local Alberta Wheat Pool. Wong has served on council in the past and lost the fall election by one vote.

Modern voyageurs make historic trip



A modern-day voyageur, dumbbells, chicken and potatoes to get up camp on the banks of the North Saskatchewan River.

By Frankie Thornhill

Dressed in voyageur garb and pulling eight eight and nine-metre canoes, an adventurous group of 70 canoeists, reached the banks of the North Saskatchewan River at 8:30 a.m. July 3 on their way from Rocky Mountain House to Fort Edmont.

The trip is a warm-up for an expedition planned next year to celebrate the 1865 centennial of Parks Canada, when paddlers will make the six-week trip from Rocky Mountain House to Lower Fort Gary near Winnipeg.

The VPs of the trip according to their leader's captain, Doug Manson, are her mother, 75-year-old Ella Rose and 65-year-old Julie McComb.

"We've been treated like queens," McComb confirmed, "being sailing on hand and foot."

Three of Rose's grandchildren including Manson's son and daughter are also in the canoe, one of two sailing from the Bearpaw Canoe Club in Calgary. Manson, along with Amos geologist Herb Beaklin, captain of the other Bearpaw boat, are co-leaders of the club.

Beaklin's first job with Amos in 1954 was as a wildlife biologist in the midst of what is now Drayton Valley. The banded on gold prospectors look of right at home in his crumpled hat, colorful shirt, flannel shirt, voyageur shirt and knee-high moccasins.

Manson's dog, Brady, was along for the ride as friend and watchdog. "He's been over 1,000 miles in a month," she said.

Many of the tricks of surviving in comfort in the wilderness came from Beaklin's experience living with Cree

Indians. Some of the group enjoyed a square in an authentic Indian sweat lodge - made by bending poplar saplings over a fire surrounded by stones. With a piece of canvas stretched over the saplings, the small area soon fills with steam when water is thrown on the rocks.

The 17 Bearpaw Club members dined at Manson's cooking the whole trip. "It's easier than getting everyone to organize themselves," she explained.

Beaklin was on the mean every night. "The voyageurs ate buffalo steak and deer they shot along the way," Beaklin said. The coopers were filled with frozen meat which was still sold at the end of their third day.

"We're all canoeists," he said. "We find it's fun. We also like to get the historic atmosphere. It's a discovery voyage - we're attempting to rediscover history by depicting it, similar to the 'Lapland's' law. Till expedition across the Pacific Ocean."

Although the modern-day voyageurs had a hot true rapids between Rocky Mountain House and Drayton Valley, "There's been some fairly rough water," said one of Rose's grandsons, "enough to give grown-ups a thrill."

Yellowhead MP Joe Clark, Drayton Valley Town Councillor Claire Carleton and Ray Meredith of the Chamber of Commerce bled down to the riverbank campsite Tuesday to greet the canoeists.

On Wednesday morning, the group was housed in the Westwood Motor Inn for a smorgasbord breakfast courtesy the town and the chamber.

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